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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads

From: Lisa Gleason, Assistant Commissioner

Teaching and Learning Services

Route to: High School Principals; Guidance Office Staff, Counselors

Resource: How to Become a Poll Worker for the General Election

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) encourages schools to share the New Jersey Department of State (NJDOS)' printable flyer <u>How to Become a Poll Worker for the General Election</u> with high school students and staff.

The NJDOS, Division of Elections is actively seeking residents to serve as poll workers for the upcoming general election. Information is on the New Jersey Division of Elections <u>website</u>. The flyer linked-to above answers the three top questions about becoming a poll worker, and provides important information such as eligibility criteria and compensation amounts.

Serving as a poll worker allows New Jersey residents to see our great democracy in action, firsthand, and to enjoy the feeling that comes with contributing to their local community, their state, and their country. As demonstrated by Governor Murphy's recent <u>signing</u> of Laura Wooten's Law, high-quality civics instruction provides students the tools they need to be more engaged and informed citizens, fostering a well-informed and well-rounded citizenry. The NJDOE encourages schools to utilize this opportunity as a springboard for important conversations and instructional activities surrounding civics education.

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